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For: **Jet Injector and Method for Its Operation and Production**

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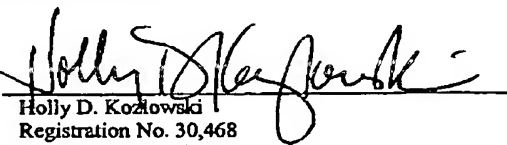
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In the Official Action dated August 23, 2006, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 between claims 26-50 and 55, drawn to a jet injector and method for forming a thin jet stream of a liquid medical drug, and claims 51-54, drawn to a method of making a jet injector. The Examiner asserted that restriction for examination purposes is proper since the jet injector can be made utilizing steps of bonding and adhering, rather than those claimed.

Applicants elect claims 26-50 and 55, with traverse. This restriction requirement is traversed as an Official Action on the merits, considering all claims, including claims 23 and 24 directed to a method for producing a jet injector, was previously issued in this application on February 23, 2006. Furthermore, the previous Official Action had indicated that claims 23 and 24, together with claim 25 directed to a method for forming a thin jet stream, were allowed. In view of the previous prosecution in this application, Applicants submit that the current restriction requirement is untimely and improper and that claims 51 and 53,

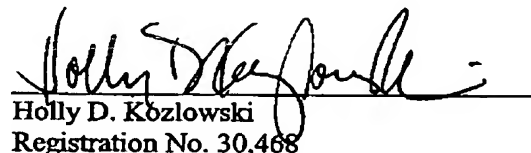
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containing limitations from original claims 23 and 24, together with claims 52 and 54 which depend from claims 51 and 53, respectively, are in prima facie condition for allowance.

Accordingly, the restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 should be withdrawn, and all of claims 26-55 should be subject to prosecution in the present application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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